

Interview Summary

Application No. 08/922,046	Applicant(s) Acres et al.
Examiner J. Harrison	Group Art Unit 3713

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) J. Harrison

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(2) Mr. Alan McCollom

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Date of Interview Dec 17, 1999

Type: Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement was reached. was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: none is specific

Identification of prior art discussed:

Volumes 1 - IX of court documents; prior patents cited.

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Extensive discussion of issues involved with the instant file, to facilitate bringing the instant (new) examiner up to speed on this pending application. Summary of history of prosecution, and discussion of relevant current case law regarding issue of on-sale bar under section 102. This Jumbo file includes voluminous materials; applicants representative presented an overview of the submissions so that the instant examiner will be able to efficiently determine any bearing on the claims at issue in this application. Identification of other related pending files also noted. Applicant offered to provide the examiner with any additional litigation-related materials needed by the examiner in order to fully consider all issues related to the patentability of the pending claims.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.



J. HARRISON
PRIMARY EXAMINER
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Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.